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Frazier-Bey & COVID-19 Carpentry Team Recognized with Employee Awards

Gaithersburg, MD – (November 3, 2020) At the Mayor and City Council meeting on Monday, November 2, 2020, Homeless Services Division Manager Jimmy Frazier-Bey and the COVID-19 Carpentry Team were recognized virtually with Employee Recognition Awards for the second quarter of calendar year 2020.

Made up of peers from each department, Gaithersburg's Employee Recognition Committee (ERC) reviews nominations for individuals and teams on a quarterly basis. These winners are then eligible for the annual Employee and Team of the Year Awards.

Jimmy Frazier-Bey, Division Manager for Homeless Services within the Department of Community and Public Relations, was named Employee of the Second Quarter for his commitment to our community's homeless population. Jimmy was recognized for his work operating and supporting the residents of Wells/Robertson House, the City's transitional program for homeless men and women in recovery, and for the work that he and colleagues did to partner with other agencies and organizations to provide a breakfast program for unsheltered homeless people in the upcounty area this past summer. Despite the risks during the pandemic, it was noted that the Homeless Services staff, under Jimmy's leadership, continues to do important work, literally changing lives on a daily basis, and doing so with dedication and courage.

The COVID-19 Carpentry Team, comprised of Paul Morgan and Paul Hill of the Department of Public Works, was named the Team of the Second Quarter. The Carpentry Team was nominated for their work designing, creating and installing safety barriers at City facilities to protect staff and visitors during the pandemic. They were also recognized for their work installing COVID-19 signage in all City buildings. The Team spent three months working on the safety barriers and installing signs, as well as preparing the Miniature Golf Course and Skate Park facilities for opening, repainting rooms at the Benjamin Gaither Senior Center, and handling many other tasks. It was noted by several nominators that "they embody what it means to take pride in and care about what they do for the City."

For more information about the Employee Recognition Awards please contact the Office of the City Manager at 301-258-6310 or visit the City's website at www.gaithersburgmd.gov.

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